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Applicant: Crane, et al.

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For: "MAIZE NPR1 POLYNUCLEOTIDES AND METHODS OF USE"

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

PETITION TO ACCEPT COLOR DRAWINGS OR PHOTOGRAPHS

(Section 1.84(a)(2) and (b)(2))

1. This petition is for the acceptance of color photographs (37 C.F.R. Section 1.84(b)(2)).
2. Attached hereto are three (3) sets of color photographs.
3. Said color photographs are described in the specification at Page 7 Lines 1 through line 18.
4. Please amend the specification, by inserting the following language as the first paragraph of the section of the specification entitled "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS" (page 7 between line 1 and 2).
"The file of this patent contains at least one photograph executed in color.
Copies of this patent with color photograph(s) will be provided by the

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Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of necessary fee."

5. The reason for the need for color photographs in this application are as follows:

The results represented in the photographs cannot be adequately demonstrated in any other format than color photographs. The gradation of histochemical staining is important to the understanding of the effects of putative resistance activators and inducer chemicals on NPR1 expression and functions, and this gradation of staining can best be appreciated and interpreted in color photographs.

6. The petition fee required to waive the requirements of Section 1.84 (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(I)) is paid as follows:

Please charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 16-1852. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 16-1852.

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